GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA

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HIGHWAYS CONNECTING NEIGHBOURING COUNTRIES
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Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the Highways connecting neighbouring countries as on date; and

(b) the details of agreements signed with the neighbouring countries for the projects already taken up/likely to be taken up for road connectivity?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING,ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI T.R. BAALU)

(a) and (b) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (b) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 347 FOR ANSWER ON 16.04.2008 ASKED BY SHRIMATI BHAVANA P. GAWALI AND SHRI SANJAY DHOTRE REGARDING HIGHWAYS CONNECTING NEIGHBOURING COUNTRIES

(a) A number of roads including National Highways connect neighbouring countries.However, this Ministry is primarily responsible for development and maintenance of National Highways. The details of the National Highways extending upto the International Borders are given in Annexure-I.

(b) No Agreements have been signed with the neighbouring countries exclusively for development of the National Highway connectivities mentioned above. However, the details of the Agreements/ Memoranda of Understanding (MOU) signed for construction of roads on Indo-Nepal border and with Myanmar are given in Annexure-II. Further, the Asian Highways (AH) Network extends to 32 countries, which also includes the neighbouring countries of India. The Government of India has signed the Inter-Governmental Agreement on AH Network in April, 2004.